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SUBJECT: "TIMES" ARTICLE ON PROSPECTS FOR THE TRADE
BILL

1. AN ARTICLE IN "THE TIMES" OF DECEMBER 13 ENTITLED
"WORLD TRADE TALKS ON THE BRINK OF TRAGEDY" STATES
THAT IT LOOKS MORE AND MORE AS IF THE WORK OF THOSE
WHO HAVE BEEN PREPARING THE GROUND FOR THE MULTILATERAL
TRADE NEGOTIATIONS WILL COME TO NAUGHT.

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2. DR. KISSINGER, ACCORDING TO THIS ARTICLE, IS

CERTAIN TO INSIST THAT THE PRESIDENT VETO THE BILL IF
IT COMES TO HIM WITH TITLE IV IN ITS PRESENT FORM.
NOR ARE THE CHANCES VERY GOOD OF HAVING THE OFFENDING
AMENDMENTS DELETED IN THE SENATE. "IT IS IRONIC THAT
THE TRADE BILL SHOULD BE STYMIED, NOT BY PROTECTIONIST
PRESSURES WHICH WERE SO MUCH FEARED, BUT BY AN ISSUE
OF SOVIET-AMERICAN RELATIONS THAT HAS ESSENTIALLY
NOTHING WHATEVER TO DO WITH TRADE."

3. WITH THE CHANGED POSITION OF THE DOLLAR, THE
ARTICLE SAYS, IT SEEMED POSSIBLE THAT THE MTN COULD
PROCEED IN A "NEUTRAL AND TECHNICAL" MANNER. "IF THE
OPPORTUNITY IS LET SLIP, AS NOW SEEMS INCREASINGLY
CERTAIN, THE INTERNATIONAL TRADING COMMUNITY WILL COME
TO REGRET IT OVER A LONG PERIOD."

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